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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

TYPE OF DECLARATION

This declaration is a national stage of a PCT application assigned U.S. patent application serial no. 09/308,034, filed May 12, 1999.

INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name. I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter that is claimed, and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

TITLE OF INVENTION

STABILIZED AQUEOUS NUCLEOTIDE TRIPHOSPHATE SOLUTIONS

SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

The specification was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. PCT/EP97/06276 filed on November 11, 1997.

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international

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